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PRAYER

We gather in the love of the One who loves us and calls us his own. We are thankful that we get to love our neighbours because you first loved us sacrificially. Teach us to neighbour! We love you, God! In Jesus' name, Amen.

WARM UP

Use three words to describe the neighbourhood where you spent your childhood. What was it like?



WORD

²⁵ And behold, a lawyer stood up to put him to the test, saying, "Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" ²⁶ He said to him, "What is written in the Law? How do you read it?" ²⁷ And he answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself." ²⁸ And he said to him, "You have answered correctly; do this, and you will live."

²⁹ But he, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" ³⁰ Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him and departed, leaving him half dead. ³¹ Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. ³² So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. ³³ But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was, and when he saw him, he had compassion. ³⁴ He went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he set him on his own animal and brought him to an inn and took care of him. ³⁵ And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, 'Take care of him, and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back.' ³⁶ Which of these three, do you think, proved to be a neighbor to the man who fell among the robbers?" ³⁷ He said, "The one who showed him mercy." And Jesus said to him, "You go, and do likewise."

Luke 10:25-37 (ESV)

■ GUIDE QUESTIONS

(NUMBERED ACCORDING TO LEVEL OF DEPTH AND READINESS TO SHARE)

- 1. On a scale from 1-10 (1 = completely unaware, 10 = absolutely close), how would you rate the depth of your relationships with the neighbours you have around you?
- 2. On a scale from 1-10 (1 = completely unaware, 10 = absolutely close), how would you rate the depth of your relationships with the people at your job or school? Are they aware that you know Jesus?

3.	Fill out the diagram below by writing down your spheres of influence (i.e. where you spend most of your time each week outside of your home). The list the names of people in those spheres of influence and whether God want you to pray for them, engage with them by meeting them, and/or inviting them to your Life Group or church service. Once finished, commit as a group to pray for these names each day and each time you meet together.			
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